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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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Sir:

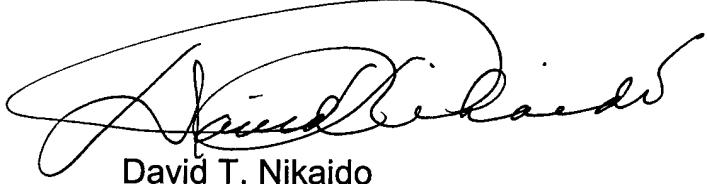
In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated July 12, 2000, enclosed herewith for filing is the executed Declaration and Assignment for the above-identified patent application.

A check in the amount of One Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$170.00) is enclosed to cover the cost of the surcharge for the late filing of the declaration of One Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$130.00) and the Recordation of Assignment fee of Forty Dollars (\$40.00). In the event that the check is not attached or any fees are otherwise required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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